

## DEATH ENDS FIGHT OVER CAN OF BEER

Robert Dunnigan Held When William Patten Dies.

Assaulted, it is alleged, by Robert Dunnigan, who is locked up at the Seventh precinct police station, William Patten, twenty-nine years old, of 3049 M street northwest, died at 9:35 o'clock this morning in the Georgetown University Hospital. Dunnigan, who is nineteen years old, lives at 307 K street.

Patten was taken to the hospital about 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon suffering from an injury on the head, supposed to have been caused by falling down a flight of stairs at his home. The wound was dressed and Patten was allowed to leave the hospital. A few hours later the police found him lying in an unconscious condition at Thirty-third and Canal streets, and he was again taken to the hospital, where he died without regaining consciousness.

The police learned that Patten, Dunnigan, and three other men had been in a fight earlier in the day over a can of beer. The men, it seems, had given Benjamin Mudd, of 1025 C street, the money to buy the beer, and had gone to an unoccupied barrel shop at Wisconsin avenue and K street to drink it.

Patten, it is claimed, pushed Mudd when he came in the door with the bucket, causing him to spill the beer. As near as the police can get at the facts, a free-for-all fight ensued, in which Dunnigan is alleged to have picked up a stick and struck Patten on the head.

Early this morning Sergeant Bean and patrolman Walsh went to the barrel shop, where they found Dunnigan, Mudd, Philip Coleback, of 1090 Wisconsin avenue, and John W. Curry, of 263 L street, sleeping on a pile of hay. They were taken to the station, where Dunnigan is held for the action of the coroner's jury, while the others are locked up as witnesses.

Dunnigan, the police assert, admits that he struck Patten, but claims he did it in self-defense. An inquest will be held at the morgue tomorrow.

### WIPING LIPS GETS POLICE IN TROUBLE

ASBURY PARK, April 14.—Ten patrolmen, a majority of the police force of this city, are under charges brought by Mayor T. F. Appleby.

The mayor declares that his detectives had seen the patrolmen "coming out of suspected places," and had frequently seen them "wipe their lips and smack appreciatively" as they leave. The policemen have filed a general denial.

## "RITA," ENGLISH NOVELIST, TO WRITE OF LIFE IN U. S.

Is Coming to Tell Taft Our Copyright Laws Are All Wrong, and Later Will Publish Book on America.

NEW YORK, April 14.—We are going to be "studied" again for the benefit of an unenlightened Europe, this time by "Rita," the English novelist, who is to spend six weeks in New York, Washington, and Boston, preparatory to writing a book, "America Through English Eyes."

"Rita," who is Mrs. Desmond Humphreys, arrived yesterday by the Oceanic on this mission and to see President Taft about a revision of the copyright law.

"The copyright law is very unjust here," she said. "I haven't been able to get any American publisher to handle my books for years. I don't know why; there seems to be some sort of a combine against me. Several times the publishers have waited until the copyrights on my books expired and stole them outright."

**Books Somewhat Risky.**

"It was suggested to me that my work was perhaps a little too risky for this country; yet on my walk this morning on Fifth avenue I see, spread out for the delectation of this austere, Puritanic public, of which we hear so much abroad, a whole windowful of 'Fires Eternal,' by Victoria Cross, a book which is dreadfully taboored in London."

"How are you going to study America?"

can life, Mrs. Humphreys," the reporter asked.

"Well, I'm going to study just the ordinary American that one comes into contact with every day. I am going to several women's clubs, and I have lots of letters, so I suppose I will attend some 'functions,' as they are called. Then I will walk and drive and go to public places, and watch all the time, so that I can write about things as they impress me."

Mrs. Humphreys was enthusiastic over our harbor and the looks of our women as she saw them on the street.

**Divorces Amuse Her.**

"Why, one might as easily be in Paris," she said. "One thing I am interested in is your American divorces. You know they are a great joke to us. You have so many divorce courts—how many are there? You have one in every town, don't you? Marriage seems to be a kind of barn dance—cross your hands and change your partners style. It is so easy to get a divorce here. If your marriage isn't all that you wish it, why, you don't want it at all."

Mrs. Humphreys said she was trying to place her book "about myself—my early life, my struggles, my nights with publishers, how I write my books, and things of that kind." She said she had been "robbed right and left" by publishers, and that her fifth novel was brought out three months ago. She said she was not a suffragette. "It can mean nothing except an increase of votes numerically," she explained.

## WOMAN POISONER MAY GET LIFE TERM

Mrs. Newbert, Convicted of Killing Her Invalid Husband, to Be Sentenced Soon.

ROCKLAND, Me., April 14.—Sentence, probably for life imprisonment, will be pronounced here soon on Mrs. Sadie Newbert, found guilty of poisoning her invalid husband, Freeman Newbert, whom she had supported for fifteen years. The defense contended that the poison was self-administered. Counsel have filed a motion for a new trial.

### HAUGHEY ONLY NEGLECTFUL

BOSTON, April 14.—With the close of the court-martial proceedings in the case of Assistant Paymaster Lawrence G. Haughey, U. S. N., it is reported that Haughey was found not guilty on the charge of culpable negligence. Haughey was tried for the loss of \$2,800, an amount stolen from his safe while he was absent from the U. S. S. Castine.

## MRS. SCOTT TO VISIT ANNAPOLIS CHAPTER

Delegates to Washington Expect to Be Presented to Governor Crothers on Same Occasion.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., April 13.—On Friday, April 22, Mrs. Matthew T. Scott, president of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, will visit Annapolis as the special guest of the Peggy Stewart Chapter. On the same occasion, a large number of the delegates to the Continental Congress, which will be meeting in Washington, will visit the city. A visit will first be made to the executive mansion, where the party will be received by Governor Crothers.

Afterward an address will be made in the old senate chamber by Ellis S. Riley, the local historian, and a visit will be made to the points of historic interest in Annapolis. Later a visit to the Naval Academy will be made, and special courtesies will be extended by Superintendent Bowyer, who has promised to detail an officer to accompany the delegates and their friends.

## PLANS BEING MADE FOR HORSE SHOW

Permission Given to Use Potomac Park, and Entries Are Received.

Plans are progressing rapidly for the holding of the horse show in Potomac Park. Permission has been granted by Secretary of War Dickinson, not only to hold the exhibition, but to permit the sale of programs on the day of the show, April 30.

M. C. Hazen, chairman of the show committee has been notified to this effect by Colonel Cosby, superintendent of public buildings and grounds. According to Mr. Hazen more than fifty entries have been received, and more are coming in by every mail. A great success is looked for.

The second riding matinee in the show, in Potomac Park, preparatory to the coming exhibition was held yesterday afternoon, and a large and enthusiastic crowd watched the riders and their mounts. Lieut. W. L. Moose received a severe jolt when his mount tripped over a fence. The officer fell free and escaped with only some slight bruises.

## HUGHES IS BOOMED FOR GOVERNOR AGAIN

New York Delegation Thinks He Would Refuse Supreme Court Offer.

That Governor Hughes is on the job to stay is the opinion of the members of the New York delegation in the House of Representatives here today.

"He would be an ornament to the Supreme Bench," explained Representative J. Sloat Fassett (Rep., N. Y.), "but he wouldn't take the job if it were offered him. What we folks up in New York ought to do is to increase the salary of the governor to \$25,000 and re-elect Charles E. Hughes."

Privately all of the New York delegation expressed the belief that the governor was "having too much fun out of his present job" to settle down on the bench—even of the highest court.

## GAMBLING IS BLAMED FOR CHINESE TONG WAR

New York Police With Axes and Crowbars Put An End to Many Celestial Social Clubs Which They Consider Dens of Iniquity.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Chinatown will have peace thrust upon it by a forcible cleaning out of the human beehives that have sheltered the rival factions in the murderous tong war if Police Inspector Daly and Acting Captain Enright, of the Elizabeth street station, have their way.

Only the recent criticism by Mayor Gaynor of ax and crowbar raids has so far kept these two police officials from emptying the crowded tenements of implacable tongs.

The necessity for a clean-up was emphasized further in the shooting of Fong Hung Soy, the fourth to drop under the rival tong bullets within forty-eight hours. That he was shot by mistake for another in the dark hallway of 30 Mott street, over the Canton Social Club, did not mitigate the offense. Inspector Daly was more determined than ever today to end the trouble.

Daly practically disregarded the mayor in recent gambling raids. He regards gambling as the basis of all the tong feuds, excepting those having to do with Chinese slave girls, and he believes that several energetic raids will

soon put an end to Chinatown's lawlessness.

Meanwhile, the social uplift in Chinatown has received a severe blow, for the social clubs of which the yellow belt has been so fond are barred and bolted now.

No more do the Easter lilies wave before the gold and black signs of the Wah Shung Social Club, at 5 Doyers street, where Ong Mow was killed; the Sun Ning, at 15 Pell street, Hip Sing recreation center, and the Canton, at 30 Mott street, where the On Leong disappeared.

When Detective Brickley, who has been in Chinatown so long that all Chinamen do not look alike to him, called at one after another of these clubs, he found the door locked and a sailing Chinaman whose urbanity was oppressive on guard.

"We no recognize you," said the keeper of the door.

When a rush from the Wah Shung Club Sunday betokened trouble and Brickley learned that a shot had been heard from the inside, he was the first Caucasian within. Though the door was locked his shoulder sent it flying, and he saw a pigtail disappear through a rear window and heard the dying groan of Ong Mow.

Then he knew his suspicions had been correct—that behind the social club sign was a Chinese gaming place, for all about were the evidences of fan tan and pig grow, interrupted by the tong shot.

What the police left of the Wah Shung Club it will take some time to repair.

And now the Wah Shung and Canton social centers are dark. The Sun Ning Club is open, with a guard of a dozen at the outer door and sentinels stationed to warn of police approach.

With these and the Chinese Theater closed, the latter by order of Proprietor Raymond Hitchcock, because it does not pay, the simple life is exemplified in the quarter, broken only by the score of patrolmen stationed there. But there is an air of expectancy visible even in the stoical Chinese faces.

## NONESUCH WEATHER VISITS WASHINGTON

Brand New Brand Is Handed Out For Today and Tomorrow.

"Nonesuch" is the title of the brand of weather furnished by the forecaster for today, and he promises to let the people of the Capital enjoy the same kind tomorrow, for the prediction for today and Friday is fair and warmer.

According to the forecaster, there are no signs of a storm for the next thirty-six hours. Rain Saturday or Saturday night may fall, but that is so far in the future that a certain prediction has not been made.

Today there is a mild southerly wind that brings May weather to the Capital, the temperature being between 65 and 70 degrees.

Ideal baseball weather is furnished the fans for the opening game today. They will have the same kind of weather tomorrow unless the whimsy of the weather man, the "fareback," appears.

## TETRAZZINI SAVES JEWELS AND BAGGAGE

Locks Herself In Steamship Cabin, Thus Foiling Process Servers.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Mme. Luisa Tetrazzini, of the Manhattan Opera Company, was unable to say good-by to her friends when she departed for Europe on board the Mauretania, of the Cunard line.

She had gone on board Tuesday night, fastened the shutters and bolted the door. She was hiding from process servers in a suit brought by Isador Lerner for \$39,000 for alleged breach of contract.

She saw nobody except Mr. Bazelli, her manager, who, when the coast was clear, took her breakfast to her.

Usually madame is gay in parting, standing by the rail, hugging a bunch of flowers, and waving to her friends on the pier. But her departure yesterday was different.

According to her manager, the trouble dates back to 1904, when the singer was little known. At the time Mr. Bazelli said, she was in Mexico, getting \$230 a performance. Lerner met her, and they discussed an engagement. She then went to San Francisco, made a success, and Mr. Lerner sued for \$24,000 for breach of contract, but this action was discontinued.

Some time ago Mr. Lerner brought another suit for \$39,000, and while she was here this season served her with the papers. An agreement was reached, however, said the manager, that the matter go over until November, but for some reason the complainant tried not only to serve Mme. Tetrazzini personally, but attempted to attach her baggage and her jewelry. It was said that the prima donna's baggage and jewelry were on board.



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